# SPI - Learning Assistance Program

## **Recommendation Summary**

Dollars in Thousands

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2003-05 Expenditure Authority		127,295	301,322	428,617
Supplemental Changes Enrollment/Workload Adjustment, SPI Federal Funding Adjustment		76	8,992	76 8,992
Pension Adjustments, Nonrate  Subtotal - Supplemental Changes		(10) 66	8.992	(10) 9.058
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Total Proposed Budget Difference Percent Change		127,361 66 0.1%	310,314 8,992 3.0%	437,675 9,058 2.1%

# **Supplemental Changes**

#### Enrollment/Workload Adjustment, SPI

A combination of factors has resulted in an increase in the Learning Assistance Program formula. Funding is provided to school districts based on the percent of students scoring in the lowest quartile of a nationally normed test. Enrollment is higher than expected in elementary grades, where the percentage of low achieving students is unchanged. Enrollment in middle and high school grades is lower than expected and fewer students in these grade levels are scoring in the lowest quartile. The combination of these changes results in an increase of \$76,000 in Fiscal Year 2005, which affects the Learning Assistance activity.

### **Federal Funding Adjustment**

The Superintendent of Public Instruction has submitted revised estimates of federal grants and allocations for education programs. This item affects multiple activities. (General Fund-Federal)

## Pension Adjustments, Nonrate

Effective July 1, 2004, the Department of Retirement Systems lowered the administrative rate from 0.22 percent to 0.19 percent. The 2004-05 school year pension rates for state-funded staff are adjusted to reflect the lower administrative rate. This item affects multiple activities.